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Summer Programs at Van Damme State Park June 16th - September 1st, 2013

California State Parks announces guided interpretive programs at Van Damme State Park. Programs are led by Interpretive Specialist, Joleen Ossello, each week of the summer season. Visit this popular destination to discover natural and cultural history where lush woodlands meet a vibrant Pacific Ocean. Individual topics are posted at the park unit and under 'Events' on the park's website. Program is offered free of charge to visitors who have paid park entrance or camping fees.

Campfire program Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. Join visitors of all ages to experience nature at night in the nostalgic campfire center. Various park related topics are presented through interactive activities and information. Dress warmly and bring your flashlight. Programs last 1 to 1 ½ hours and are scheduled for June 15, 22, and 29th; July 13 and 20th; August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31st.

Nature Walk Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. and Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. All walks are an easy to moderate one hour stroll for all ages to discover the park's unique natural wonders and diverse cultural past.

Meet at the Visitor's Center: June 15, 20 and 29th; July 4, 6, 11, 18, 20 and 27th; August 1, 8, 10, 15, 17, 29, and 31st.

Meet at the Pigmy Forest Trail parking area: June 22, July 13, August 3 and 24th.

Directions: travel south from the park's main entrance on Highway 1 for 0.6 miles, turn east on Little River-Airport Rd. and continue for 2.8 miles. The park entrance sign will be on your left just past the county road intersection.

Junior Ranger programs Thursdays and Sundays at 10:00 a.m. Children ages 7-12 are invited to become a unique member of the Parks. Experience interactive games and investigative hikes designed to inspire your senses. Meet at the Campfire Center for a 1 to 1 ½ hour program.

Featured Film is an opportunity to experience our dynamic intertidal exhibit, meet our camp hosts, and relax inside the historically built Visitor's Center. Watch a short film on local natural and cultural topics. Send the kids while you set up camp, or come as a family June 27, July 25, and August 22nd.

Annual Square Dance returns for another evening of down home community fun, July 27 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Visitor's Center.

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